



# City Update

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*Mayor Norm Coleman and Joanne Tromiczak-Neid present Ann Copeland with the 1999 Karl Neid Community Involvement Award.*

## **Ann Copeland Receives 1999 Karl Neid Award**

Ann Copeland, a grants specialist with Saint Paul's Planning and Economic Development Department, received this year's Karl Neid Community Involvement Award. The Karl Neid Award is an annual recognition of a city employee who demonstrates a record of outstanding public service.

"Ann Copeland exemplifies public service," said Mayor Norm Coleman. "Her strong community involvement and dedication to Saint Paul is consistently demonstrated by her professional employment and personal involvement in a variety of organizations."

In nominating Ann for the Karl Neid Award, her colleagues said: "The most noteworthy fact about Ann's involvements is that she has been involved in so many different organizations. Ann really cares about the community of Saint Paul and that is clearly demonstrated by her many, many acts of volunteerism and the variety of groups with which she has been active....She is not just a member [of these organizations], she is a leader."

"This award means a lot to me because I knew Karl Neid, worked with him and liked him. I know how sincere he was about his commitment to the City and the community," said Ann. "Another very special part of receiving this honor was to be nominated and selected by my peers."

Although Ann is retiring from the City at the end of this year, she does not intend to retire from her community activities.

"Being retired will free up more time for me to get more involved in the community," Ann said.

*To learn more about Ann and her activities, see page 3.*

## ***Ann's Community Involvement***

To list just one of Ann's community efforts does not do her justice, but she is particularly proud of her role in starting the Living at Home/Block Nurse Program in St. Anthony Park. The program is a grass roots effort to help older people stay in their homes in the neighborhood as long as it is reasonably possible. This program has been replicated in nine other Saint Paul neighborhoods, three neighborhoods in Minneapolis, 12 locations in greater Minnesota, as well as neighborhoods in Birmingham, Alabama and Fort Worth, Texas.

*Saint Paul*  
Celebrating 150 Years

## Savings Made Simple With Direct Deposit

Many financial advisors will tell you the best way to bolster your savings account is to **pay yourself first** -- putting money into your savings account on payday rather than waiting to see what's leftover at the end of the week.

City & County Credit Union (CCCU), the Credit Union for City of Saint Paul employees and their families, makes putting away those extra few dollars easier than ever with direct deposit and dispersal of funds. You can designate your Share Savings account as the primary depository account at CCCU and designate the amount you want transferred into checking, make an automatic payment on your personal loan and send money to any of your other

accounts. All the while, your savings deposit stays put for a rainy day or maybe a sunny vacation!

CCCU has a variety of savings options for our members, including Money Market accounts, IRAs and Certificates of Deposit. Call our TeleCenter at 651-225-2700 (TDD 651-225-2761) to speak with a Member Service Representative about becoming a member of your Credit Union.

*Credit Union deposits are insured for up to \$100,000 by the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA), a U.S. Government Agency.*

**Pay Yourself First!**  
**Direct Deposit Savings**  
**Makes It Easy**

## A Celebration of Service

The City of Saint Paul Employee Years of Service Recognition Breakfast was held on May 18.

Hosted by LeaAnn Turchin, Human Resources, and Tom Eggum, Public Works, the event featured employee recognition and retrospectives from:

Mayor Norm Coleman  
City Council President Dan Bostrom  
John McCormick, City Attorney's Office  
(representing 20 years)  
Christine Meyer, Water Utility  
(representing 25 years)  
Karen Smith, Libraries  
(representing 30 years)  
Vic Wittgenstein, Jr., Parks and Recreation  
(representing 35 years)



City Council President Dan Bostrom and City Council Members Jay Benanav and Kathy Lantry congratulate city employees with 35 years of service.



Years of Service	Employees Receiving Service Award Pins
20	120
25	52
30	30
35	10



## City Living: Home Loan Program Offers Lowest Fixed Rate Mortgage

Saint Paul and Minneapolis are working together to make it easier to own and rehab an urban home.

The City Living joint mortgage loan program will now offer a fixed-interest rate mortgage of 5.99 percent for city home buyers.

This rate will be available not only for straight purchase loans but for combination loans that finance home purchase and renovation, and home mortgage financing and renovation. The program is available to existing and potential homeowners.

**City Living Loans:** People with incomes up to \$106,000 are eligible for city-supported loans. The program serves a very wide range of income levels and under the new interest rate, a person making about \$9.00 an hour could qualify for a home valued at \$60,000.

**Home Purchase:** Potential homeowners can apply for loans at any of the participating lenders, including Saint Paul's Planning and Economic Development Department and the Minneapolis Community Development Agency. Both cities have lists of participating lenders available to the public.

**Home Rehab:** The process for loans to rehab a home are similar to what is used for a home purchase except the homeowner must put together the rehab package before closing. The homeowner must also prepare the scope of the work and detail a bidding process to select a contractor. The actual rehab process can't start until after closing.

For more information, visit [www.saintpaul.gov](http://www.saintpaul.gov) or call the Saint Paul Home Loan Fund at 651-266-6626.



## 1999 Capital City Classic Cruisers



Every Friday and Saturday evening from Friday, June 4th, through Saturday, October 2nd, Downtown Saint Paul will host the Capital City Classic Cruisers.

See classic cars from 1965 and earlier on Kellogg Boulevard from Wabasha to Robert from 6 to 10 p.m. every weekend.

*Prizes! Food! Fun! Free!*

## Meet Ann Copeland...

### City Service

- Citizen Participation Coordinator ('84-'94)
- Grants Specialist ('94-present)

### Awards

- PED Employee of the Month (1993)
- Faye Lyskett Award, League of Women Voters (1994)
- First woman president of St. Anthony Park Association ('79-80)
- Founding Feminist Award, Ramsey County Women's Political Caucus

### City Involvement

- PED Paint-A-Thon
- Saint Paul Home Tour
- Managers Corp Advisory Committee
- City Picnic
- Women in City Government
- Habitat for Humanity
- Holiday Adopt-A-Family

### Community Involvement

- St. Anthony Block Nurse Club
- Neighborhood Energy Consortium
- Minnesota Food Association
- Council 46
- University UNITED
- Neighborhoods USA
- People Inc.
- Merriam Park Community Center
- Friends of Saint Paul Library Board of Trustees
- Saint Paul City Charter Commission
- Ramsey County Charter Commission
- League of Women Voters
- Citizen League
- Minnesota Chamber of Commerce
- Metropolitan Council of Chambers of Commerce
- Saint Paul Private Industry Council
- St. Anthony Park Bank Board of Directors
- Linnea Home Board of Directors
- Meals on Wheels
- 4-H

**1999  
Karl Neid  
Award  
Recipient**



## Saint Paul Wins Award

During May, the Minnesota Safety Council presented the Meritorious Achievement Award to the City of Saint Paul. This award recognizes cities in Minnesota that achieve a lower than average on-the-job injury rate.

"This award belongs to everyone in the City," said Roger Schwagmeyer, Safety/ADA Coordinator. "Reducing the number and severity of employee injuries is a team effort, and everyone can share a personal sense of pride!"



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## 150 Trivia

Each week a trivia question about the history of Saint Paul will appear in City Update with answers provided in the following issue.

### June 6 Trivia Question

**Q: When was the first USS Saint Paul in naval service?**

### May 21 Trivia Question & Answer

**Q: Which Saint Paul park contains the Detrich Lange Bird Sanctuary?**

**A: Como Park**

## Job Openings as of June 4, 1999

Application Deadline	Job Title	Bi-Weekly or Hourly Salary Rate	Exam Date
06/10/99	Benefits Specialist	\$1252.02	06/10/99
Open	Clerk -Typist II	\$867.58	TBN
Open	Communications Technician	\$1359.09	TBN
Open	Communications Technician Trainee	\$1111.53	TBN
06/17/99	Fire Fighter	\$36,269.00	08/06/99
06/09/99	Food Service Equipment Specialist	\$1388.90	
Open	IS Information/Technical Analyst I	\$1139.99	TBN
Open	IS Information/Technical Analyst II	\$1326.60	TBN
Open	IS Information/Technical Analyst III	\$1470.98	TBN
Open	IS Systems Support Specialist I	\$1030.42	TBN
Open	IS Systems Support Specialist II	\$1089.46	TBN
Open	IS Systems Support Specialist III	\$1326.60	TBN
Open	Labor Relations Manager	\$2182.22	TBN
Open	Library Associate ( <b>part-time</b> )	\$1086.23	Quals
06/14/99	Loan Specialist Assistant (Bilingual)	\$1057.74	
Open	Park Aide ( <b>seasonal/part-time</b> )	\$6.88 per hr	Quals
Open	Recreation Leader ( <b>part-time</b> )	\$8.08 per hr	Quals
Open	Ticket Sellers - RiverCentre ( <b>part-time</b> )	\$5.50 per hr (in training)	TBN
Open	Water Safety Instructor & Life Guard ( <b>seasonal</b> )	\$7.75 and \$7.25	TBN

**\*\* This is walk-in examination. Do not submit a job application before the test.** Note: Call or visit the Office of Human Resources (400 City Hall Annex) to receive the official job announcement for these positions. Phone: 651-266-6500 (TTY/TDD 651-266-6501). For jobs announced after May 27, call our 24-hour job line 651-266-6502.